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FOR REMOVING PHOSPHATES FROM WATER"
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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE
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Sir:

In response to the Notification of Defective Response dated October 26, 2006, and relating to completion of the above-identified application, transmitted herewith are the following:

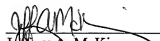
- 1). Copy of the Notification of Defective Response mailed October 26, 2006; and
- 2). Two executed Declarations of the inventors (5 pages).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required in this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17 or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 501395.

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NOTIFICATION OF DEFECTIVE RESPONSE

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495)

- Priority Document
- Copy of the International Application filed on 05/27/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 05/27/2005
- Oath or Declaration filed on 04/10/2006
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 05/27/2005
- Assignment filed on 04/10/2006
- Priority Documents filed on 05/27/2005

Applicant's response filed 04/10/2006 is hereby acknowledged. The following requirements set forth in the NOTIFICATION of MISSING REQUIREMENTS mailed 02/22/2006 have not been completed.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date. The current oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b) in that it
 - executed by Schauer & Prochazka who are not listed on the published application

Applicant is required to complete the response within a time limit of ONE MONTH from the date of this Notification or within the time remaining in the response set forth in the Notification of Missing Requirements, whichever is the longer. No extension of this time limit may be granted under 37 CFR 1.136, but the period for response set in the Notification of Missing Requirements may be extended under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed

to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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